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PROCESS FOR PREPARING ALKYNECARBOXYLIC ACIDS

BY OXIDATION OF ALKYNE ALCOHOLS

SUBMISSION OF TWO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS OF DR. ROBERT FRANKEL

MAIL STOP NON FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Patent Examiner, the Information Disclosure Statement of Dr. Robert Frankel, dated November 3, 2003 and the twenty-six references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and attached thereto.

We would also like to bring to the attention of the Patent Examiner a second Information Disclosure Statement of Dr. Robert Frankel, dated November 4, 2003 with a European Search Report, dated October 17, 2003 and Form PTO-1449 with three references enclosed.

Since these Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) are being filed before any Office Action, it is believed that no fee However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 03-2468 for any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this IDS. It is respectfully requested that the foregoing IDS be incorporated into the official file of the present patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures:

- 1) PTO-form 1449 with 26 references
- 2) PTO-form 1449 with 3 references
- 3) European Search Report dated October 17, 2003
- 4) IDS of Dr. Frankel dated November 3, 2003
- 5) IDS of Dr. Frankel dated November 4, 2003

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Signed this 3 day of November, 2003.

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